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# Cushing Returns Story of Premier's Promises Delegation Answered

## SEVERAL NEW CHARGES AWAIT W.H. CUSHING'S RETURN HERE

### Ex-Minister of Public Works Comes Back From Calgary in Time to Vote on Budget Division if Nec- essary—How the Normal School Job Was Carried Out

Hon. W. H. Cushing, ex-minister of public works, came back to the capital from the south on last night's train. He was back in time to vote on the estimates, but did not venture to the legislative halls until this morning when he appeared about 11 o'clock, and shook hands with some of the members.

Mr. Cushing is still preserving silence as far as the new promises are concerned, declining to make any statement. Last week it was said that Premier Sifton had given Cushing his blessing and told that worthy that his place in the interests of the province was out of town during the session and with a sorrowful heart and contrite spirit, the former minister of public works in Alberta took the train on Friday for Calgary. When he arrived there his fame had preceded him and there is no doubt to be believed that his friends in the home town got around him and persuaded him to come back to the capital and be a part of the session.

Cushing was loath to come back to Edmonton at this time, it will cause new charges to be brought against him in addition to those which have been made already, and his conscience, even Cushing, with his rhinoceros hide, should be satisfied by this time that enough has been made public to date to drive any man from public life.

In chapter 2 of the statutes of Alberta for 1909, clause 11, entitled, "An act respecting the Legislative Assembly of Alberta," the following will be found:

"No person who covers, holding or acting, understanding, or acting, directly or indirectly, alone or with any other, by himself or by the intervention of a trustee or third party, or by contract or agreement with His Majesty, or with any public officer or department, with respect to the service of Alberta, shall receive any public money of Alberta as to be paid for any service or work, matter or thing, shall be eligible to be a member of the Legislative Assembly."

One would imagine that this clause was sufficiently plain that even a man as dense as Cushing is believed to be able to understand it. But, in the wrong, would be able to see it, but from the following letter, which he wrote to his deputy during the progress of the finishing up of the Calgary Normal school building, he did not think it was out of the way to pick up for his own firm a portion of the pickings of that transaction:

Dear Mr. Sticks:

Regarding the matter of the accounts for extras of the plasterer and painter on the Normal school, it would appear that they have not had fair treatment in connection with these extras. They have both come to see me, and as far as I am able to judge, their accounts should be paid, and there is no doubt that they have received the same treatment as our firm and others, and the man in charge, whose evident intention was to cause everybody to lose money. There is no doubt that he has secured a large amount of money, more than there was any necessity for doing, in the way of connection with the building, and it is nothing more than right that they should be paid for the work. As far as our firm is concerned, they will have to submit to whatever ruling is made, but I am not going to stand for other men losing money, through the actions of our own employees.

There will be here next Friday and would like to have you here and get this matter settled. (Signed) W. H. CUSHING.

At the time this letter was written,

Cushing was not only a member of the legislature but he was the minister in charge of the construction work of the province. He was the minister in charge in every case—the man who made the rulings governing the methods employed on all public construction work.

The contractors of the Normal school had gone into liquidation, which was witnessed by the public that the work would be finished by "day work." An official of Cushing's department was in charge of the work, it appears, and even he was astonished at the way "our firm"—as Cushing calls it—and the painter and plasterer were making extras out of the job. As an honest man he objected to this way of doing things, although, by doing so, he knew he was running counter to the wishes of the minister, and he was "killing" the painter and plasterer and "our firm" should get better opportunities to reach into the pockets of the public.

Cushing complained to his deputy and asked for protection from the man who was doing things, although, by doing so, he knew he was running counter to the wishes of the minister, and he was "killing" the painter and plasterer and "our firm" should get better opportunities to reach into the pockets of the public.

It is quite evident that Cushing was not "killing" in the sense that the public funds of Alberta were concerned, and when it is known that it cost nearly \$100,000 more to complete the Normal school building than the contract called for originally, over \$18,000 in extra charges, it is not surprising that there were many reasons that appealed to W. H. Cushing that "our firm" should be protected from the straight lines that had been laid down by the inspectors.

The Capital takes this opportunity to call upon the premier to not only let Cushing be ejected from the floor of the house, but that immediate steps be taken to have all money that has been illegally obtained by Cushing Bros. during the four years and a half that W. H. Cushing occupied the position of minister of public works returned to the province.

The premier has stated in on a policy of confiscation in cases where the public money has been illegally obtained, a splendid opportunity for his new sphere of enterprise stares him in the face.

Following Recommendation of Medical Health Officer in Annual Report

To the Capital this morning, Commissioner Butchart stated that the question of appointing a food inspector, probably at the time when the new health bylaw comes up for consideration.

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### SPEND \$735,000 IN EDMONTON CITY

#### Provincial Government Completing and Starting Several New Public Buildings Here

A total of \$735,000 is to be spent in provincial public buildings in Edmonton within the next year, according to the estimates that are now before the house.

This includes \$345,000 for the partial completion of the new parliament buildings, \$10,000 to complete the new court house, \$50,000 for the new building for the new land titles building, and \$30,000 towards the construction of the new government house in Glenora.

The site of the land titles office is at the corner of Sixth and Victoria, and it is understood to be the intention of the government to purchase the site of the land titles office in Victoria, with 50 feet, and to commence the erection next year of a handsome land titles office.

### GRAND PRAIRIE ROAD COMPLETED

#### Government Gang Working Now to Make Summer Trail Good as Winter One

Grande Prairie settlers now have direct connection with Edmonton via the new road, and the new road into Medicine Lodge on the Grand Trunk Pacific west of Edmonton.

The new road now runs from the intersection point with the Little Smoky River from there on to the new road, and that is the road that is now being worked on the river, and into Grande Prairie.

The provincial government this year is estimating \$200,000 more for the construction of colonization roads. About \$100,000 has already been spent. The new road is mostly gravel, and is under construction of new roads through the northern districts.

LLOYDMINSTER ELECTIONS.

Lloydminster, Dec. 12.—The following is a list of the candidates for the six nominations for the vacancies on the council: I. P. Lyle, J. Procter, J. Bell, E. L. Crossley, J. McCormick.

## HAVE FOOD INSPECTOR IN THIS CITY SHORTLY

(COMMISSIONERS TO INVESTIGATE)

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### \$10,000 PROFIT IN FOUR MONTHS

A total of \$10,000 in four months was the profit realized by Herb Bowen of Victoria, formerly of Edmonton, on a deal in first street property he conducted last month.

Mr. Bowen reached the city last night, and concluded the deal this morning, whereby he had secured \$500 per foot, there being a frontage of over 60 feet on Eighth street.

Mr. Bowen purchased this property in August last for \$40,000.

Mr. Herbert Booth, who is conducting evangelistic services at the church this week was present at the sale of the property, and the members of the various teams and congregations took an interest in the success of the venture.

The campaign will be announced from the pulpit next Sunday.

### A SIDELIGHT ON THE RECENT VOTE

A sidelight is thrown on the vote in the legislature yesterday by a statement made by R. L. Shaw, member for Stettler, this morning when he says that:

"At the time of the first vote we were promised a road, and it was in consideration of this promise that I voted in favor of the bill introduced by Premier Sifton, and the bill was passed."

The member for Stettler is very definite in his statement. He says that previous to the first division in the house he went to the premier and demanded to know what provision would be made for a railway from the north country to the south country, and he was promised a road, and it was in consideration of this promise that I voted in favor of the bill introduced by Premier Sifton, and the bill was passed."

On this understanding Mr. Shaw voted with the government. On interviewing the premier after the vote to ask him if the railway legislation would be brought in, Mr. Shaw was informed that what the premier has said previously should not be taken as a specific promise of performance, but merely as a declaration of the premier's confidence in the general principle that the north country should be developed by the construction of a railway, at some date, which date, the premier intimated to Mr. Shaw was not at present because—

According to the premier, the great many of the business men of Edmonton had expressed the belief that the north country was not yet ready for the construction of the road.

It is understood that the member for Disbrow, Jos. Stauffer, voted for the government on the same representation, and that he is going to be a member of the government.

### NEW MAYORS IN ALBERTA TOWNS

Calgary, Alta., Dec. 12.—Hottel defeated Eibert today in the municipal election. Calgary has known for years. The victor's majority is 638.

Clake, following a fierce campaign, won the commission on Jan. 1. Election of aldermen was as follows:

Ward 1.—A. J. Smith, H. H. Ward, and B. Cushing.

Ward 2.—A. J. Smith, H. H. Ward, and B. Cushing.

Ward 3.—R. A. Brocklebank, James Hornby and T. Ramsey.

Ward 4.—J. Jones, J. D. Watson and J. H. Garden.

### Doctor's Fight for Majority.

Vegreville, Alta., Dec. 12.—Much excitement today over the majority contest between Drs. D. McLeod and C. W. Field. The former winning out by 69 to 55. For councillors the result was: Stanton, 75; McKenzie, 66; Trump, 60; Travis, 41; Dostaler, 50, and Swartz, 31, the first three named being elected to the council by a large majority.

### Die in Council Contest.

High River, Alta., Dec. 12.—Civic election today: Mayor, R. A. Walcott, 83; J. C. Sheppard, 55; Councilors (four): W. Smith, H. H. Ward, 70; Robert J. C. Stead, 58; D. W. Taylor, 74; H. G. Gould, 73, and J. C. Sheppard, 55. Returning officer Mack will give the casting vote for the fourth council member tomorrow.

### Again Medicine Hat Mayor.

Medicine Hat, Alta., Dec. 12.—Mayor David Millar was re-elected for a third term. Aldermen: Chas. S. Pingle, M. A. Brown, Peter Robertson, School trustees: Hamilton Morrow, W. H. Turpin and George Worby.

### MR. DOUGLAS ILL; NOT SERIOUSLY

R. B. Douglas this morning received a wire from Hon. Frank Oliver stating that the condition of James M. Douglas, M.P.P. for Strathcona, was still considered serious but that to state no complications had set in since the telegram yesterday's despatched. Mr. Douglas is very ill and at that time it was feared that he would not recover.

### SUNDAY CARS FOR STRATHCONA NOW

All Four Bylaws Carried by Large Majorities in all Four Wards

DAVIS TICKET A WINNER

(By Our Own Reporter.)

Strathcona, Dec. 13.—Notwithstanding the absence of a majority contingent yesterday, the civic election yesterday proved productive of more interest than has marked the annual poll for years. Throughout the day rival candidates in some of the wards had run out in the streets, and this helped considerably to increase the heavy vote. The Edmonton contingent of ratepayers turned out in mass, and the Sunday car by-law being an object of special interest.

The citizens were most concerned over the election of council candidates as was shown in the evening when the polls closed. Crows waited on the streets patiently for the results in wards two, three and four, where a two-sided fight was waged in each and satisfaction reigned supreme when the results were announced. When the entire success of the Davies ticket was made known.

The sweeping majority that characterized the ratification of the four important by-laws. It was expected, since the Davies ticket had been elected, that the question would be a simple one, and that the Sunday car by-law would encounter stiff opposition but the 3,000 majority for each ward showed that the question was not so simple as it seemed.

### HOLD FORESTRY CONVENTION SOON

(Special to the Capital.)

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Since Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Premier of Canada, was issued a call to hold the Forestry Convention to be held in the City of Quebec, Jan. 18-19, 1911, the work of preparation has been going forward rapidly.

The Convention is to be held under the auspices of the Canadian Forestry Association, of which His Excellency Lord Grey is the Patron, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Honorary President, and Hon. W. Edwards, the great Ottawa lumberman, President. The Minister of Crown Lands in the various provinces, the Forestry Commissioners, and Mr. R. L. Borden, M.P., is on the Board of Directors.

### Wards One—By-laws Only.

Ward	By-laws	For	Against
Sunday cars	206	47	159
Sewers	202	50	152
Library	203	54	149
Park	191	63	128

### Ward Two.

Ward	By-laws	For	Against
Sunday cars	211	41	170
Sewers	209	42	167
Library	208	50	158
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### NEVER INTENDED TO ABANDON THE NORTH SAID PREMIER TODAY

Tells Board of Trade Delegation If He Made Definite Announcement Now, It Would Be Premature

"I have never made the statement that I would abandon the development of the north country," was the answer that Premier Sifton gave this morning to a delegation from the board of trade of Edmonton, which waited upon him to present the resolution passed some time ago, urging railway facilities for the north.

From the statement made to the delegation this morning by the premier, there is an indication that something is yet to come in the way of a railway proposal for the north. He told the delegation that he could tell them nothing of his intentions, as the newspapers would soon learn of it, and spread the announcement far and wide over the country.

The delegation included Mayor Lee, J. C. Dunsen, W. H. Clark, E. M. Morgan, H. M. Martin, and Secretary Fisher of the board of trade. They presented the resolution passed some time ago, urging railway facilities for the north. The premier made the formal reply that he would take it into his consideration, and that he would not yet decide on it. In fact, one of the members of the delegation said that just as much would have been accomplished if the resolution had been mailed to the premier, but it was only courtesy that a delegation should wait upon him and present it in person.

### HELP YOU TO GO HOME IN THE DARK

Street Cars Very Soon Will Have Different Colored Lights on Various Lines.

Commissioner Bouillon stated to the Capital this morning that the commissioners and street railway superintendent would in the near future hold a conference to decide on a set of signals for all the city and interurban cars.

At the present time, especially at night it is impossible to distinguish a Nanyamo Avenue from a Syndicate Avenue car, and it is within one block of the mode of passenger.

### DELEGATION NUMBERONE IS ASKING FARM

Many Points Will Soon Be Re-questioned That Demonstration Farms Be Given Them

That Hon. Duncan Marshall's policy for the establishment of demonstration farms throughout the province, will bring in to the train a string of delegations from various constituencies to urge the advantage of the first class, is evidenced by the fact that the first of these delegations will reach the city tomorrow from McLeod.

Robert Patterson, the member for Red Deer, stated this morning that the delegation had arranged for an interview with the premier tomorrow. They will ask that a demonstration farm be established in their district.

A total of \$2,500 is to be expended on each farm, according to an announcement made to the house yesterday. Three of these farms are to be in the northern districts, that is, north of Red Deer. Two of them are to be south of that point.

There will probably be other delegations from various parts of the province in the next few months.

### GOOD NEWS FOR SCHOOL KIDDIES

J. C. McGee, superintendent of the school system, has announced to the Capital this morning that the holiday vacations would commence on Sunday, December 24th and would end on Monday, January 2.

Men's boots in all styles and for all purposes at Kelly & Moore's.

High grade of sparkling cut glass Ash Bros.

### MONEY NOT AVAILABLE

That Premier Sifton is so confident he will be unable to secure the \$7,400,000 of Waterways funds from the banks in which it is deposited, was indicated this afternoon when he introduced a bill providing for the raising of the sum of \$7,400,000 on the credit of the public revenue of the province.

### APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES

License Commissioners Will Hear Following Requests on Dates Named.

The following application have been received by the license commissioners and will be heard on the dates appended: A. E. Gagnon, application for renewal of the Morinville Hotel license, and John McNamara, application for renewal of the Shamrock Hotel license, December 13th.

Joseph Beauchamp, application for the transfer of the Windsor Hotel license, Edmonton, to himself, December 15th.

William Hertzog, application for renewal of the Victoria Hotel license, Morinville, December 15th.

J. P. Belanger, for a transfer of the Strathcona Hotel license from C. Carey to himself, December 15th.

Gustave Gardell, for a renewal of the Alberta Hotel license, Morinville, December 21st.

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# News of Sport at Home and Abroad

ROWING  
LACROSSE  
ATHLETICS  
THE RING  
WRESTLING

## SENSATIONAL CHARGES MADE AGAINST EDMONTON AMATEURS

BOARD OF A.A.A.U. GOVERNORS MEET TOMORROW TO CONSIDER THE CASES OF MCGANNOON, MCLEOD, McKENNEY, GORDON AND W. H. BANFORD.

It is rather early in the season for hockey sensations, but the mere announcement that the Board of Governors of the Alberta Amateur Athletic Association will meet at the Edmonton Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock means more than one would think.

For there are rumors that some of Edmonton's best known hockeyists are to be called up on the carpet and asked to explain the whys and wherefores of certain matters upon which the governors would like a little enlightenment.

Last year when Prince Albert challenged for the P.K. Reform Cup, Edmonton was in a bad way for defenders. Of the professional team the only ones in town were Deaton, Boulton, and Winchester. In order that the cup might be defended and not go to the invaders by default, several of the city's most promising amateurs were pressed into service, though the simon pures were reluctant to lose their stands. The fact was impressed upon them that it was absolutely necessary for them to help out the pros, in order that the town's one chance to challenge for the Stanley Cup should not be carried away.

The governors of the provincial association had this fact firmly impressed upon them, so this winter when

McGannoon, Gordon and Bill Banford applied for a return of their cards, their request was granted. McKenney did not apply for re-instatement, but the other player outside the fold, Scotty McLeod, of Strathcona, did so, but stated he could not take the required affidavit as he had accepted money for expenses.

Acting on this admission of McLeod's, the governors are meeting tomorrow to find out whether the players who have already received their cards got in on this expense money. They consider they may have granted the re-instatement rather hastily, and just want to make sure that everything is O. K.

In addition to the five players mentioned above, Treasurer Frank Day, of the Edmonton Hockey Club, will also be asked to be present. The governors will also investigate the case of Lynn and Bud Kent, Strathcona, who were suspended last winter for playing in Stettler against the resident Strathcona A. A. H. A. They will be asked to explain their travelling propensities to the satisfaction of all concerned. As Lynn is at the coast at present he will of necessity not be able to be present.

The governors who will investigate the different charges are, Messrs. Buchanan, Walker, Edwards, Moore, Duval, Ward and Ballentyne.

of these contracts the club owner has absolute control over the players all summer and winter. Their chattel cannot engage in indoor baseball, basketball or any other winter sport without his manager's consent.

**Interpretation of Message**  
From Secretary Farrell's wire to President Eckstrom, the National Commission seems to be qualifying for the Czar class, as his message, interpreted means, "Helena and Great Falls must play in the league organized by my chums, but unsuccessful baseball managers, Lucas and McCloskey. If these cities will not play in the Union League backyard, I am afraid they can have no baseball this summer. In the meantime, Mr. Eckstrom, you and your Alberta cities kindly turn your covetous eyes away from Montana." (Signed) J. H. Farrell, Great Park, B.C.

It is all very sweet and nice for Farrell to provide a meat ticket for Lucas and McCloskey, who were banned by the National League and Milwaukee respectively, but it is rather rough on the cities who are compelled to swallow the bitter medicine, syndicate ball. Probably Lucas and McCloskey will hold a little conference before they start their menaces and dope out the pennant winner. Having an interest in being franchise, that could easily be done.

**Quite a Come-over**  
If the dispatch from Mobile is to be believed, Mr. Lucas has only received Class D rating. Rather a come-down for Butte, when by forming a league with the Alberta cities, Class C could quite easily be obtained. In the meantime, if anybody in Alberta or Montana knows exactly where his city stands in regard to baseball for 1911, he will receive a handsome prize for divulging the solution of the mystery. The Daily Capital. As Jack London would say: "We are curious to know; we are curious to know."

## ROYALS TOOK TWO FROM THISTLES

Smith Had An Average of 218—Vics. Now Lead the League

The Senior League bowled game, Thistles vs. Royals, providing some of the keenest competition so far. The Thistles took the first game, but Simonson's men got going in the second and annexed the bag two. The Royals were high men with 654, scoring 190, 244, and 220, on average of 218. Smith made 8 strikes in his first game. Simonson's 221, Grand 215 and Blackett's 213 were other high singles.

Smith now leads the Senior League averages with 197.5. Blackett's second with 194.3. Knott, third, with 193.3.

**Royals.**  
Smith ..... 190 244 220 654  
Blackett ..... 174 213 199 535  
Simonson ..... 174 213 199 535

**Thistles.**  
Blackett ..... 213 174 180 567  
Knott ..... 194 213 199 535  
Simonson ..... 174 213 199 535

Royals won two out of three.

**The League Standing.**  
R. W. L.  
Vics ..... 6 3 3 660  
Thistles ..... 6 3 3 300  
Royals ..... 6 3 3 300

**Prize for High Score.**  
In addition to the gold links Dr. A. Kirkland for his average this week in five successive games, Hepburn's Candy Co. is offering a five lb. box of candies for the highest score by a two man team.

**CURLING.**

**At the Capital City.**  
Three matches were played last night at the Capital rink in competition. The results were as follows: Mattie 6, Webb 10.

Edwards 11, Campbell 13.  
Futing & Fraser.

The draw at the Capital City rink for tonight and Wednesday night are as follows: Tonight, D. S. McKenney vs. Henwood, N. M. McDonald vs. W. H. Bridge, Goldard vs. Stephenson.

Wednesday, Dec. 14, Bell vs. Archibald, Dickens vs. Thion, Turnbull vs. Gillespie.

**At the Granite Rink** last night four matches were played in the Alberta Lumber company's trophy competition. The results were as follows: McCanley 11, W. Barnhouse 1, E. H. Garrison 15, G. P. Dolson 5, J. Howard 8, G. M. Freese 7, C. May 8, J. A. Stovel 1.

The following are the draws for tonight and Wednesday night: Tuesday, Dec. 13, 8 O'clock, Geo. Clark vs. T. H. Lancaster, R. B. McClellan vs. J. Dewar, J. M. Dunlop vs. J. A. Stovel, G. M. Freese vs. K. Teiger.

Draw Wednesday 7 O'clock, C. D. Hunt vs. Chas. May, G. P. Dolson vs. W. Barnhouse, E. H. Garrison vs. R. B. McClellan, E. H. Garrison vs. J. A. Stovel.

9 O'clock Draw, A. Verner vs. J. E. McLeod, Dr. Robertson vs. J. M. Cauley, J. M. Dunlop vs. M. Cauley, L. Howard vs. Geo. Clark.

## VARSETY TEAM LOOKS VERY GOOD

Students Are Working Hard for Their Opening Game With Bankers, January 3rd

(By Our Own Correspondent.)  
Strathcona, Dec. 13.—While the critic would probably not pick Varsity as a runner up for silverware honors in the Twin City division of the A.A.H.A. he could scarcely slip around the fact that the higher educationalists are speedily enough to give the best of them the struggle of their career in the forthcoming series. There is no one better than Varsity that they may have to content themselves with a place below the top rung, but the students are the best sports in the provincial game today, hard none and this little self-depreciation will not lessen their interest one fraction of a per cent.

**Delight in Practice**  
Hard practice is a high light in Varsity education. The vigorous way in which the division team candidates sail into the fray work-out days reminds us of the enthusiasm of a band of hornets in a guerilla skirmish. Every man connected with the team from the student body to give the first team aspirants a muscle-making chase in the semi-weekly hours and a promising part of this training material is being welded into a varsity representative to the gamut in the Intercollegiate League.

Thus in the third year of the game at the infant institution, the hockey development is up to a two league pressure with the first choice men pitted against the pick of the province.

**Capt. Dixon's Illness**  
The illness of Capt. Dixon of the first team is Varsity's one regret at the moment. Besides being a 44 calibre forward, Dixon is the only right handed stick handler on Varsity and his absence for another month at least, leaves a yawning gap on the ice. Dixon is missed and badly missed.

The team will recognize some class in the other forwards, when Dobson, Rutherford, Dean and Goodrich are called up. The latter pair of colts are dusting along at a lively clip and will take lots of stopping. In last Saturday's practice the recent high schoolers were uncorking lots of speed and got some combination in fair working order.

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## MERC. LEAGUE OPENS TONIGHT

Morris and Griffin Co. Play at 8, While Somerville-Hudson's Bay Meet at 9

To-night is the big night in Mercantile League for the opening game take place at the Central Rink. For the one price of admission 50c fans can see Somerville and Hudson Bay play at 9 o'clock, and J. V. Griffin Co. and J. H. Morris at 8 o'clock. The games will start promptly on time as there is a heavy penalty imposed by the league for any delay. The game between Somerville and Hudson Bay is a very promising one, while the game between J. V. Griffin Co. and J. H. Morris is a very promising one.

**The Teams are:**  
Somerville Co.—Goal, Curran; point, Graham; cover, Chubb; rover, Hudson's Bay; Goal, Brown; point, Chubb; cover, Heimer; rover, McClellan; centre, Morris; left, Cresslock; right, C. Chasnek.  
J. H. Morris Co.—Goal, Herrick; point, Ransom; cover, Bolander; rover, Bolander; centre, Devine; right, G. Morris; left, Hughes; spare, Morris.

## UNION LEAGUE IS FORMED

Great Falls Is Included in the List Among Its Wishes

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## CALGARY TEAM MAKES SCORE

That Will Take Some Beating—Mitchell's Callies Roll a Total of 2794

The Calgary bowlers are rolling up some high scores which compare very favorably with those made at the Olympic alleys lately.

Capt. Mitchell's Callies seem to be the top performers. Last Saturday in a league game they rolled 2794, which is a team average of 193.4. In the third game, for the fact that Capt. Mitchell blew an easy spare, the last frame, the Callies would have been over the 1000 mark.

**The scores were:**  
Callies  
Gillis ..... 184 160 170—514  
Smith ..... 192 171 128—541  
McClatchey ..... 146 178 211—535  
Stark ..... 139 205 205—549  
Mitchell ..... 185 221—599

Totals ..... 866 893 985—2794

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## SEC. FARRELL WARNS US TO KEEP AWAY FROM MONTANA

NATIONAL COMMISSION DECIDES THAT HELENA AND GREAT FALLS MUST T PLAY IN UNION LEAGUE OR REMAIN OUT OF ORGANIZED BASEBALL.

When one looks carefully into this International League proposition there would seem to be a very real danger to the man concealed in the woodpile.

The last issue of Sporting News, the recognized organ of the National Baseball Commission, mentions the fact that G. W. Reed, of Mobile, has left for Great Falls to manage a team in the Union League. The article goes on to say the Union is Class D, the lowest rating to be had in minor league ball.

This will probably be news to Great Falls as the press of that city has all along declared that Mr. Lucas had an other guess coming if he hoped to enroll their town in any of his baseball ventures.

**Sec. Farrell's Reply**  
The Capital writer President Eckstrom last week asking if the ceiling of Montana and Utah to Lucas would preclude Calgary, Lethbridge, and Edmonton from making overtures to Helena and Great Falls.

Mr. Eckstrom took the matter up directly with Secretary Farrell of the National Commission, and yesterday the Capital received the following wire from Lethbridge:

"Secretary Farrell wires: 'Territory rights to Helena and Great Falls have been granted to W. H. Lucas. Govern yourself accordingly.'"

"Looks to me as if Lucas wants to force the two cities into his league for the winter." (Signed) C. J. Eckstrom, Pres.

The question is, Can the National Commission force any city in Canada or the U. S. to enter a league? If so, there is something very radically wrong with the so-called Court of Last Appeal in baseball. The baseball managers have frequently been compared to slave owners owing to the iron-clad contracts under which the players are signed.

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Mr. Eckstrom took the matter

# HOUSE GIVES SIFTON GOOD MAJORITY ON ESTIMATES

Premier Delivered Budget Speech Yesterday and Many Other Speakers Followed in Support or Criticism

## DIVISION RESULTED IN VOTE OF TWENTY-ONE TO THIRTEEN

Following a six hour debate on his budget, which provides for the expenditure of the A. & G. W. bond money, as diverted to the public funds, Premier Sifton at nearly midnight last night, carried a motion to go into committee on supply, by a division of 21 to 13. With this division, the last stand against the premier's policy of diversion of the Waterways money from the purposes for which it was previously voted, passes into history and the members of the old administration go down fighting against the policy which takes the money they raised for a northern railway, and devote it to the completion of public buildings in the province.

The division of the house was as follows:

FOR—Sifton, Mitchell, McLean, Marshall, McKenzie, Buchanan, Boyle, McDougall, Glendinning, McArthur, Simpson, Smith, Stewart, Telford, Campbell, McKenny, Olin, Warnock, Bontrass, Cote, Foulger, or division.

AGAINST—Kutherford, Cross, Lessard, Cornwall, McPherson, Gunn, Moore, Puffer, Patterson, Walker, Bennett, Shaw, Stauffer, or division. And Woolf paired, O'Brien did not vote, the absentees being Michener, Cushing, Roberts.

The vote last night furnished one of the big surprises. Cote, who made the other day, voted with the administration, Puffer jumped to the opposition, and also Stauffer. The division, however, dispelled the fact that Sifton appears to have a sound majority at his command at any time, and there is very little likelihood of further fighting on the estimates when they are in committee.

### Premier Makes Long Speech

The premier made a lengthy speech in which he explained his policy in full. It was after all, he said, a question of expediency. There were public buildings and other undertakings which had been projected by the late government, which had to be carried through, and this would use up most of the money that was not utilized in meeting the immediate obligations of the province.

The estimates of 1911, he said, were prepared with a view to the needs having in mind the actual needs of the province, and the completion of such public buildings as were of immediate necessity. No further buildings than these were proposed for, and there would be no more public buildings provided for until a redistribution of judicial districts had been made.

The premier went on to show how the parliament buildings, estimated by the old government at \$1,500,000, would now cost to complete, \$2,100,000 and that the furnishings would bring this amount to \$2,300,000. There was an appropriation on the buildings for next year of \$315,000 which would enable one wing of the building ready for occupancy.

The premier went on to outline the government's policy in expending \$125,000 for the establishment of demonstration farms throughout the province, the only item in the estimates to split, on which a number of real policy was involved.

Discussing the telephone policy, the premier said the system had been showing a profit of two per cent. during the year, and that the rural lines had lost money.

Dr. Rutherford followed the premier with a flat announcement that he would oppose the estimates as brought down on the ground of the diversion of the Waterways money for other purposes, and criticized the manner in which the estimates had been prepared and also made the charge that the statement of liabilities published was an unfair one, and represented his former administration in a false light.

### Bennett Criticizes

Bennett made a lengthy speech, in which he commented on the huge debt which the province had incurred, and which there was now a total fixed charge of \$500,000, and in view of the tremendous debt of \$5,000,000, he said he was of the opinion that to exercise a policy of the most rigid economy consistent with the utmost economy, having regard to the wants of all communities from the standpoint of absolute necessity.

He did not think the estimates as brought down pursued such a policy. Bennett made the statement that he believed the legislature of Alberta was too large. It was not justifiable that with a population of only 235,000, there should be a legislature of 41 members. He made the suggestion that the telephone system should be placed under a non-political commission.

He criticized the government on the cost of the new provincial buildings, saying that in a province which did not control its own resources, the expenditure of \$2,300,000 was not warranted. The difference between the cost served to show that the former administration were not so much as to where the expenditure money went. He said there was no justification for making expenditures

that made for luxury rather than efficiency.

### Minister of Agriculture

Hon. Mr. Marshall's speech was taken up chiefly with an explanation of this demonstration farm scheme. He pointed out to Bennett that it was not a question in this province of population in connection with the number of members in the house, but rather a question of the territory to be covered. He pointed out too, that the cities of Edmonton and Calgary had a combined debt greater than that of this province.

Mr. Marshall said he would like to give the information as to the location of the demonstration farms, but he hoped to have them all purchased before any public announcement was made. He announced that he had now, prices of land would advance prohibitively.

He believed that since Red Deer was the present centre of population in the province, two of the farms should be located south of that point and three to the north. That was all he had to announce as to their location.

The purpose of these farms would be to provide an agricultural education which would reach the tiller of the soil, and his boys, a system of agriculture that would work out the various problems under which the farmers all over the province were laboring. No two of these farms would be alike. There were enough different conditions in the province, as regards soil and climate, to make it possible to have each farm working out different problems.

A set of ordinary farm buildings would be erected on each farm, such as would be erected on the farms of a well-to-do farmer. Copies of plans of these buildings, together with the cost would be circulated among the farmers, to give them some idea of what could be done on an ordinary farm. The principle of mixed farming would be carried out. The farms would be under a general superintendent and foremen, who would be men able to go out and give instruction to farmers in institute meetings.

It would be shown on these farms what crops could be raised for, and a profit made. There would be pure seed raised to supply the farmers, and who wished to purchase such at a reasonable rate. It was hoped that within three years these farms would be supplying annually 50,000 bushels of pure seed. It was the intention also to raise several herds of dual purpose cows. On each farm would be erected a hall with accommodation for 150 people, and these would be permanent headquarters for the short courses in agriculture.

Mr. Marshall spoke briefly on the work of the new department towards which it was intended to devote \$250,000 within the next year. A total of \$200,000 was to be spent on eradication of noxious weeds.

### Railroads, Not Court Houses

J. K. Cornwall made a brief but pithy speech, in which he said that no country was not getting the consideration in the estimates it should get. "We do not want any more demonstration farms, nor court houses. The old log house is good enough for us. It is consistent with the conditions up there and with the attitude of the present government towards the railway. We want railroads. The \$200,000 for colonization roads will not go far. This legislature voted \$70,000 for a special purpose, which is being used for another purpose and I will vote accordingly."

### Mr. O'Brien

Chas. O'Brien hotly censured the government for what he called a miserable misdirection of \$100,000 in the estimates for inspection of mines. No wonder there were mine explosions, he said. One good man who would look after his job well in inspecting mines, would be worth nearly that amount. He said the law was being violated in every mine in Alberta.

### Puffer Opposed Sifton

Puffer rose to oppose the Sifton estimates on the ground that he deemed the appropriation of the bond money was breaking faith with the country, and he would vote against them. He still hoped that the premier had some proposition to offer the legislature which would provide for immediate construction of a road into the north.

Attorney-General Mitchell made a very careful speech in which he said he thought the government had done as much as it could under the circumstances. He said he thought these estimates had no connection whatever with the policy of diversion of the A. & G. W. money. That was dealt with in the bill voted on a few days ago.

The whole Rutherford railway policy was not being repudiated, merely saying that in a province which did not control its own resources, the expenditure of \$2,300,000 was not warranted. The difference between the cost served to show that the former administration were not so much as to where the expenditure money went. He said there was no justification for making expenditures

### Roads Not Farms

Geo. Headley of the opposition, said he had always approved of the idea

of demonstration farms, but believed the construction of roads and bridges were of paramount importance and that the \$250,000 should be used for these objects instead of for the demonstration farms.

### Cross Protests

Hon. C. W. Cross was the last speaker, and merely rose to register his emphatic protest against the estimates as brought down. They simply meant that the \$7,400,000 voted by this legislature for the purpose of building a railroad, was being appropriated for another purpose.

Following is the premier's speech. Speaker, in moving that the Speaker do now leave the chair, and that this house do immediately resolve itself into committee of the Whole, it will probably be expected that there will be at least a few remarks in reference to this motion in accordance with the time honored custom, and I feel that it is necessary that there should be some remarks and some explanations in regard to the estimates that have been on the table for the last few days for the information of the members so that they might anticipate what is likely to arise in the course of the debate. I might say in explanation of the manner in which the estimates have been prepared that I gave considerable attention to the way in which they could be prepared so as to give the fullest possible information to the members of the house. As you will remember, there was a session during the early part of this year, and possibly the prior technical work would have been to take these estimates, and to now vote the continuation to cover the rest of the year. But on examination of these estimates, finding that a considerable number of them had not been expended it struck me that the only way in which the house could be seized of the absolutely correct manner in which the accounts were kept and to be satisfied as to what had actually happened, was to prepare the public accounts up to the first day of June showing the actual expenditures under these estimates, and then by preparing the estimates showing the actual expenditures for the whole year the deduction could be easily made and the members of the legislature placed in fair possession so that comparisons, if necessary, might be made, and the members at least have all the information that was in the possession of the government upon these questions.

I have in addition placed upon the back of the estimates for this year the auditor's report of the actual liabilities of the province upon the first day of June last, so that they might be in an understandable condition, and the details of these are easily understood. In fact, most of them are there practically in the position by which they can be understood by the members, and show that the actual liabilities of the province on the 1st day of June last were \$4,815,000, with an indirect liability, which by the information of the members I also have placed upon the back of the estimates, in reference to railway matters, of \$25,430,000. 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## ALL CHANCE OF A RAILWAY TO NORTH GONE

By a vote of 13 to 21 the legislature last night accepted the policy of diverting the Waterways money to other purposes.

The case has been placed before the people in extenso, and the citizens of Edmonton and the residents of the northern tier who have looked to the government for a policy of construction to the north know that the vote of last night means that the railway to the north has been set back, not only for this year, but possibly for many years.

In the meantime, the road from Banff to Edmonton is going ahead and the indications are that unless there is a complete change of policy on the part of the government Edmonton will lose entirely the trade of the northern interior.

By this policy which diverts the money and fails to furnish a substitute proposition for a railway to the north the interests of Edmonton and the north country have been betrayed. Citizens of Edmonton will remember the names of those members who voted against the railway and those who voted for it.

## RATEPAYERS SATISFIED WITH ADMINISTRATION

The most obvious conclusion from the civic election yesterday is that the ratepayers of the city of Edmonton are well satisfied with the administration they have been getting.

The three members of the old council who stood for re-election were returned, one of them, Ald. Lundy, at the head of the polls. Another retiring member, George S. Armstrong, has been elected for mayor without opposition, and the other candidates for council who secured election were not critics of the past administration.

The extremely light vote indicates that by far the greater majority of the ratepayers did not consider the contest of sufficient importance to be worthy of their attention.

The only question of a contentious nature at all in the campaign was the question of the tenant's franchise, and as all candidates except one were agreed that the principle involved in the act now before the legislature is sound, there could scarcely be said to be a division on this point.

The council selected is one which is fairly representative of the interests of the town and which should be able to give the mayor proper support and assistance in the administration of the city's affairs during the year 1911.

## TELEPHONE STATEMENT SATISFACTORY

In the estimates brought down in the house yesterday the one item, outside the railway omission, that attracts attention of the members is the capital expenditure on telephones. Mr. Bennett seems to be of the opinion that the expenditure is too large and suggests that the telephone business should be placed under the railway commission of the Dominion. In lieu of this he suggests an independent commission.

While there is argument in favor of an independent commission, there can not be much in favor of placing the phone system under the Dominion railway commission.

The purpose of the railway commission is to protect the interests of the people from the rapacity of the corporations. No such occasion for control by the commission exists in the case of the telephone, as the telephone is administered for the benefit of the people of the province. The statement shows that many of the rural lines are losing money, which is a pretty fair indication that there is no rapacity from which the public need the protection of the railway commission.

Considering the fact that the telephone is a new enterprise, so far as the government is concerned, that the country lines are only in the formative stage and that, as in all such utilities, the public has to be educated to the extensive use of the phone, the statement which shows a profit of two per cent. over all lines should be accepted as satisfactory.

The fact that the rural lines are losing money, which has to be made up by the cities, is no indication of unfairness in favor of the rural lines. The subscribers to the city lines have the use of the rural lines, inasmuch as the long distance connection gives the city subscriber access to a very large area of territory which could not be reached if the lines now being maintained at a loss were cut out.

The telephone is one of the best institutions in the hands of the government. It is doing more to make life in the isolated sections of the province comfortable than any other one thing, and it adds more to the convenience of the public than any other branch of the government's activities. The hope is that the time will arrive when every farm house in the province will have its phone, and the way to arrive at this happy state is to keep on extending the lines just as fast as the conditions will warrant. The government would even be justified in accepting quite a considerable annual loss at the present time so long as it could be shown—as is now evident—that the telephone was well and wisely administered.

## A WORK BROADLY HUMANITARIAN

The annual report of the superintendent of the department of neglected children for the Province of Alberta has just been issued. The most striking sentence in the report is that "the object of the institution is not to punish but to reform." Taken in conjunction with another clause which says "Ninety-eight per cent. make good records and swing back into normal conditions of life without having the stain of reformatory left on their character," it is clear that this department of the government is carrying on a work which is broadly humanitarian.

Political economists in these latter days have come to recognize that the best assets of a country are children. Students of sociology have demonstrated that delinquency in children is due very largely to environment. Large-hearted humanitarians, such as Ben Lindsay, for instance, who have taken up the cause of the children, have proven that a change of environment will in almost all cases save the child from a life of degradation and crime and will save the country the cost of punishing a criminal.

The better day which recognizes that crime is largely misdirected energy and that the cure is not to be found in punishment but in education is well on the way, and Alberta, being a progressive country, has recognized the principle by the establishment of a department which, irrespective of who the child may be, where he comes from or what the nature of his case, undertakes instead of throwing him into a prison cell, there to become steeped in the spirit of rebellion against the whole institutions of civilization and law, undertakes to treat him to a course of light, love and happy environment, to the end that he may become a useful citizen and an asset to the province.

The province owes it to every child within its borders that he or she be given a chance. The department of neglected children is working in that direction.

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## NEW COUNCIL HAS ONLY TWO NEW MEMBERS IN IT

LUNDY, GRINDLEY, McINNIS, GOWAN AND MCKINLEY ARE ALDERMEN ELECTED YESTERDAY—RESULTS OF SCHOOL BOARD TRIESTES.

	Stone Plain, Rd. and 2nd St.	1,428 Jasper West.	435 Jasper East.	1,400 Fifth St.	City Hall.	807 Jasper East.	1,428 Kinistino.	Oldfellows Hall.	Total Vote.
For City Council—Five elected.									
J. E. LUNDY	17	142	245	14	193	56	133	53	853
T. GRINDLEY	18	122	258	12	144	20	79	22	670
H. L. McINNIS	6	100	229	8	103	84	124	66	601
C. GOWAN	9	108	102	10	103	84	124	66	601
J. MCKINLEY	7	90	103	10	103	84	124	66	601
A. STEWART	21	87	178	10	116	22	64	27	535
J. McDONALD	11	102	102	7	153	33	131	48	525
A. E. POTTER	11	60	122	10	171	10	72	27	429
C. L. GIBBS	8	138	2	65	8	37	33	33	369
G. H. M. A.	11	131	9	85	13	43	14	355	
F. HUMBERSTONE	2	11	36	2	38	4	20	9	122
For Public School Board—Three elected.									
W. RAMSAY	13	139	255	16	201	38	166	43	843
W. H. CLARKE	14	98	239	6	173	28	83	29	698
S. A. G. BARNES	14	60	130	12	135	41	105	67	504
H. B. SMITH	13	59	131	15	115	31	85	48	498
E. T. BISHOP	11	131	9	85	13	43	14	355	
J. S. BLACKETT	4	56	102	1	63	8	22	7	203

## Mayor.

George S. Armstrong.

## Aldermen.

J. E. Lundy, T. M. Grindley, H. L. McINNIS, C. Gowan, J. McKinley, J. D. Hyndman, J. H. Millar, J. W. Moir.

## Public School Trustees.

W. Ramsay, W. H. Clark, S. A. G. Barnes.

## Separate School Trustees.

Wilfred Carley, J. H. Picard, J. W. G. Collison (All elected by acclamation).

The absence of a majority contest and the fact that no municipal issues of importance were before the people can be assigned as the reasons why the vote polled yesterday was the smallest since 1904. The elections throughout the course of the entire campaign have shown, by their absence from meetings held in different parts of the city, that they were not interested and as a result where Alderman Hyndman last year polled 1422 votes Alderman J. E. Lundy, the town man, when the votes were all in yesterday, had only received 854.

There were a number of surprises after the ballots had all been counted. With only one poll to here from, subdivision 2, J. E. Lundy and Charles votes were counted it was conceded that Messrs. Ramsay and Clark, the retiring members, and S. A. Gordon Barnes would be elected.

The following shows the vote.

## ABOUT TOWN

Next Saturday is Y. W. C. A. day at W. A. Ferguson's jewelry store, when ten per cent. of all the proceeds will go to aid the travellers' department of the association.

Frank Cook, E. C. Buck and John Black, who are in the city and general hospitals as the result of injuries received in the Macklin wreck on Saturday, are all reported to be well on the road to recovery.

The drug clerk will play a hockey match with Ross Bros. in the Thistle rink tomorrow night at 10 o'clock. The 1911 Mixers will not pick their team until immediately before the game, so request all members of the club to turn out.

The prizes in the Masters Piano Co. contest were awarded as follows: First prize, phonola, to J. T. McKenney, Strathcona; second prize, violin, to J. M. Maguire, 201 Ave. Ave. East, Edmonton; third prize, guitar, to Col. Woodrow, 285 Richard Ave., Edmonton.

The campaign organized by McDonald Methodist church to raise \$20,000 towards the building fund of the new church terminated last evening. While the final figures are not yet available, the reports show that the campaign was a splendid success and when all the pledges are in the amount raised will be well over \$30,000.

## POLICE COURT.

Stephen Marlow in the police court this morning laid a coronor's inquest against one Frank Cobbe, charging that the latter obtained from him \$85 by false pretence.

According to the evidence of the prosecution which took up the entire morning, Cobbe was attempting to open a boarding house at Edson and had secured the funds to purchase supplies. The prosecution will attempt to prove that the money was never used for this purpose.

J. K. MacDonald is conducting the case for the prosecution while the defendant is not represented.

The case was adjourned for one week.

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polled for each candidate in the different polling divisions: Gowan, the Rivardale league candidate, were running a dead heat for the first place but the west end poll, where the latter is practically unknown, went solid for Lundy and the retiring aldermen, with the result that Mr. Gowan eventually landed in fourth place.

Alderman Lundy headed four polls, namely at 1,128 Jasper, Fifth street, Kinistino avenue, and the city hall poll. Chas. Gowan headed two polls, 807 Jasper east and Newwood, and Mr. M. Grindley and Alex Stuart were leading in one poll each, 435 Jasper west, and the Stoney Plain road poll, respectively.

A feature of the voting at the city hall, where Lundy and Gowan won a neck and neck race was the fact that sixty odd voters plumped for Mr. Gowan, the said individual votes being read off in a row and giving the indication that he was going to take the lead and stay there.

Alderman McKinley was hard hit in Newwood and at the Kinistino avenue poll where J. C. MacDonald polled his heaviest vote.

With poll 2 to here from MacDonald had a lead of six votes for third position but in that poll he only received one vote and as a consequence reduced to seventh position, there being only ten votes between him and Alex Stuart for sixth place.

The contest for school trustees was very one-sided and long before the polls were closed.

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Sterling Silver Tea Spoons . . . \$9.50 to \$15.00  
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Watch Fob.  
Set Vest Buttons.  
Safety Razor.  
Pocket Nail File.  
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Silver or Gun Metal Cigarette Cases.  
Cigar Cases.  
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Tobacco Jars.  
No need for worry on that score.

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Gem Rings.  
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Shop in the Morning

# Prices at the Christmas Store

WHEN Winter's over you may see prices as low as these, but no other store, we are sure, will make them right in the heart of the season. Not all of the holiday sale bargains are mentioned today, but enough of them to convince you that it is a money-saving opportunity well worth taking advantage of. It is to your advantage to shop in the mornings.

## Christmas China and Dinnerware Sale

In your holiday rounds don't miss the China! When you first stroll through our China department you may conclude that it is a museum erected for the holidays, and as it is, with the added advantage that anything can be purchased. Never has Edmonton known such variety of fine and plain China, exquisite Cut Glass and dainty bric-a-brac—Vases, Plaques, articles of vertu. Hundreds are finding satisfactory solution of Christmas problems in this China store. Naturally, where so many things are gathered together, bargains peep forth.

### XMAS DINNERWARE SALE

Grindley's and other well known English makes in semi China Dinner and Tea Sets. Dinner Sets, 97 pieces. Regular \$18.50 value. They make splendid Xmas gifts. To-morrow

**16.<sup>50</sup>**

## Tea Sets for Christmas Presents

Your choice of 6 designs displayed. The shape is neat and properly proportioned and the decorations are not overdone, but just enough to make them artistic.

Regular \$9.00 for.....\$6.00  
Regular \$12.00 for.....\$8.00  
Regular \$14.00 for.....\$10.00

## Bargains in China Oddments

24 dozen Odd Dinner, Tea, Bread and Butter Plates. . . . .**50c**  
Regular \$1.00 and 75c. value. To-morrow, per doz.

Choice selection of Bavarian Hand-Painted China, Cake Plates, Nut Bowls, Trays, Bon Bon Dishes, Biscuit Jars, Sugar and Cream Bowls, Brush and Comb Trays. Prices range from.....**25c**

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Men's Underwear, Fleece Lined, per garment.....45c  
Odd lines of English and Scotch Underwear. To-morrow 20 per cent. off Regular Marked Prices.  
Men's English Flannel Shirts, new styles, with Double Cuffs. To-morrow 20 per cent. off.  
Men's Winter Caps. Regular 50c, 65c and 75c. values at... 25c.  
Men's Wool Gloves.....75c, 50c, and 25c.  
Boy's Coat Sweaters. Regular \$1.50, for.....95c.

### MEN'S NEGLIGE SHIRTS AT 95c.

Men's High Grade Shirts, large variety of stripes and figures in light and dark colored effects. To-morrow.....95c.

## Wednesday Morning Specials . . 9 to 12

### A CLEARANCE OF CORSETS

Oddments and discontinued lines, Women's and Misses' Values from \$1.00 and \$1.25. All sizes. (Second Floor)

**20c**

### WOMEN'S WINTER UNDERWEAR

A clean-up of all odd lots of Vests and Drawers, all sizes. Values up to 50c. (Second Floor)

**20c**

### SALE OF WOMEN'S SHOES

Women's Patent Pumps and Oxfords, Women's Strap Dress Shoes and Slippers, all sizes. Values up to \$3.50

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### WOMEN'S SHOES—ALL SIZES

Women's Patent Balmoral and Blucher. Women's Vici Kid, Balmoral and Bluchers. Regular \$5.00 values \$2.00

### MEN'S SHOES

Men's Box Calf, Balmoral and Blucher. Men's Dongola, Bluchers, all sizes. Values up to \$4.50.

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### WOMEN'S SLIPPERS

Women's Felt Slippers, Fur Tops, Women's Cosy Felt Slippers. Regular \$2.25 values

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### MISSES' AND GIRLS' SHOES

Misses' Dongola Balmorals and Bluchers. Girls' Dongola Balmoral and Bluchers. Regular \$1.75 and \$2.50. (Shoe Section, Second Floor)

**75c**

## Suits and Coats at Next January Prices

It is customary to hold clearing sales in January and to radically reduce the prices of winter garments for such an occasion. But we are not in the habit of doing customary things. We would rather hold a sale that gives you the reduction now, instead of next January. And that's what we shall do to-morrow. This sale gives you the garments a month ahead of time so that you can get the benefit of them during the cold weather of December.

## Women's Fashionable Tailored Suits

Women who take advantage of this sale will find very few of this season's specially favored styles, colors, or materials missing from these collections. We have included our entire stock of Tailored Suits in this sale—but the greatest values are offered at the prices quoted below.

Our \$35.00 Suits will go at.....\$19.00  
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### STYLISH CLOTH COATS—GREAT SAVING

Women's Cloth Coats in this season's novelties and wanted materials. Diagonal Serges, Beavers, Broadcloth, and Kersey in colors Black, Navy, Brown, and Green. Full length styles. The cheapest coat would retail at \$18.00 and the best at \$22.50. Your choice to-morrow

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### SUGGESTIONS

There are only a few days left in which to make your selections. Our stock and our facilities for handling your business will be a big item when considering your Xmas shopping. A few suggestions:

### LADIES' SILVER MOUNTED UMBRELLAS

**\$6.00**

### GENTLEMEN'S SILVER MOUNTED UMBRELLAS

**\$5.00**

### GENTLEMEN'S GOLD MOUNTED CANE

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For Xmas Gift giving. Women's Embroidered Swiss Handkerchiefs. Regular 15c to 35c each. To-morrow, per dozen.....**1.50**

### WOMEN'S PLAIN AND EMBROIDERED COLLARS

A clean-up sale of Women's Plain and Embroidered Linen Collars, in sizes 12 to 14½. To-morrow 33 1-3 off regular marked prices.

### 25c. AND 35c. RIBBONS AT 19c.

50 Pieces of Plain Chiffon Taffeta Ribbon to-morrow, per yard.....**19c**

### 85c. and \$1.00 ALL-OVER NET. 49c.

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Extra Heavy Worsted Hose for Boys and Girls, regular 25c. and 50c. values. To-morrow, 33 1-3 off these prices.

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75 pairs—just enough for one hour's selling. A pair of Kid Gloves are always acceptable. To-morrow, per pair.....**85c**

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Quality Jewelers  
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HOUSE GIVES SIFTON  
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tal account, although, as I say, on going through some of the back estimates presented last year to capital account \$5,500,000, but on going through the books we find that the actual capital expenditure during the years that have gone by was as follows:

Capital Account	
General revenue from Sept. 1, 1905 to Dec. 31st, 1908.....	\$1,366,496.26
Telephones from Sept. 1, 1905 to Dec. 31, 1908.....	1,301,573.57
General revenue from Jan. 1, 1909 to Dec. 31st, 1909.....	1,059,394.53
Telephones from Jan. 1, 1909 to Dec. 31, 1909.....	531,474.34
General revenue from Jan. 1, 1910 to Dec. 31st, 1910.....	1,449,493.49
Telephones from Jan. 1, 1910 to Dec. 31, 1910.....	844,444.43
General revenue from Jan. 1, 1911 to Dec. 31, 1911 (estimated).....	1,741,533.33
Telephones from Jan. 1, 1911 to Dec. 31, 1911,	

(estimated) ..... 742,625.00

Making a total expenditure on capital account to 31st Dec. 1911, of ..... \$7,272,746.26

And leaving the estimated balance as before mentioned of ..... 672,475.38

The expenditures for the year on capital account come to \$1,016,333.00 on account of Public Works and \$125,000 on account of farms to be purchased for demonstration farms and \$742,000 on account of the extension of telephone system. I do not think that whatever other estimates they may meet with that they will meet with any criticisms in regard to the expenditures for the year, the amounts that are to be spent during succeeding year considering the circumstances. I do not think that they will meet with any criticism so far as the extravagance is concerned during last year during the circumstances, and I do not think that they are open to very much criticism in regard to the expenditures in the estimates that have taken place during the years that have gone by, because the buildings that are in course of erection, and which are responsible for nearly the

whole of the debt of this province, outside of the telephone department, are buildings that are required in the province, and while it may be open possibly to some one to say that we could have got along with a cheaper parliament building than is now in course of erection, that is a matter from which the judgment of the legislature and the judgment of the people of the province, and perhaps properly expressed in the estimation of the population of this growing country, and which is a necessary, as it does in a new country, to put up these expensive buildings, the only way in which it can be put up is by borrowing the money. In reference to the parliament building, it is certainly as possible as an estimate made not only of what it has cost up to the present time but also what it will probably cost when complete, and it may be a surprise to some of the members of the legislature—it certainly was to me on the first of June last had cost with the site and everything that had actually been paid out up to the first of June last \$964,300.26. But up to the first of December this year the estimate—practically as I explained—was \$1,056,881.05. The estimates including power house and whatever can be done, and it will probably be placed in a position in which it can be utilized by the members next fall if they so desire, will be \$1,500,000, but it will not complete the building, but it will complete it in a way that we may be able to utilize a portion of the building. The estimate for completing it in accordance with the plans and specifications as originally prepared for will require \$2,000,000 additional, and that is estimated to give us a complete building without furnishing, making \$2,200,000 for the building, and an estimate roughly speaking of the balance to make up \$2,500,000 for the complete building, including the power house and whatever can be done for the accommodation of the legislature of this province. And I have no doubt that when the complete building is completed the members of this legislature will be proud of it. The other buildings, which are represented by the expenditure of capital account both for this year and next year, with one or two exceptions, are also matters that were started. There is a hall at Lethbridge, the asylum at Ponoka, the Normal School at Calgary, the Court House at Edmonton, and although not started, the court house at Calgary and the Land Titles Office at Edmonton, which are in immediate provision must be made in accordance with the requirements of the legal business of the country. These with the small appropriation for the building of a government house at Edmonton, practically all the appropriations that are being made next year on account of public buildings with the exception of the necessary starting at least one more jail in the Province somewhere. I have made no other appropriations for the building of court houses throughout the country during the coming year because the actual necessities of the legal business throughout this country do not require them. I may say while brought to my attention constantly during the summer that has gone by and during the last month or so since the members came here, the fact that almost every settlement throughout the country would be delighted to have a court house built in it there is no doubt in regard to that.

It is the policy of this government that no more expensive buildings of that nature will be built unless the necessity arises, which may and will with the increasing population within a very short time for the redistribution of the judicial districts of this province in a way which will be most convenient for the population, and a benefit to the actual centre of population to have public buildings erected in the most convenient place for the transaction of that business. I say this in this way publicly because the matter has been brought to my attention privately by a number of the members, and there is a necessity which I have recognized and which is natural in the various portions of the country that no one else could get ahead, and if they cannot get a court house they certainly do not want the adjoining village to have one and in that way be in on the ground floor when the arrangement of the judicial districts should become necessary. I make this explanation in that way that nothing of a permanent nature will be done for the renewal of that system.

Mr. Bennett: How much have you got for renewals?

Mr. Sifton: There has been an estimated profit of two per cent for this year on the interest on the money that has been paid for renewals. I may say that this two per cent, which is actual and not estimated for the next months that have gone by, is very largely paid by the towns and cities, and that very many of the rural lines are being run at a small loss. Although this is so, I do not think of the fact of the legislature take the view that these rural lines are not an actual necessity in the building up of this country at the present time, and that even if they should be at a small loss for a few years to come they should be in the interest of this country and that they should be in the interest of the legislature that it is the wish of the government, that they should be extended as far as possible and to as many districts as possible. I would like if the members of the Legislature would endeavor to take public opinion in their respective neighborhoods, the possibility of going on into the future in the expenditure of unproductive capital in the way of rural telephone lines. But that question does not come up very much at present because we have made an estimate for next year which I think will satisfy all the reasonable members that they are getting justice in regard to the expenditure on rural telephone lines in their districts.

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done in the way of building these buildings until the rearrangement of the judicial districts is made upon a proper basis, so that it will not be necessary to duplicate expensive buildings, because it is only the building of these buildings which we can charge to the capital account, and it is a money for, but the actual upkeep of a public building which must be done in a proper manner in the interest of the people because a continual drain upon the annual revenue which should be devoted to other public works.

The only real point that there is of new policy so far as this government is concerned, is in regard to the estimate for \$15,000 for the purpose of purchasing five demonstration farms. The question of an agricultural college is one that has been raised a number of times during the past year, and while it is not necessary in the present state of affairs of this country to have an agricultural college in the way of training people as they are trained in some agricultural colleges, so that they may go forth and become professors in other colleges, it is necessary in the interest of farming country such as this where almost every little settlement has a different climate that the members be scattered along as far as possible demonstration farms carried on as nearly as possible in the way in which the ordinary farmer would carry on a farm and with the idea of experimenting for the benefit of the ordinary farmer. It would be of no use to the people of this community that there should be a demonstration farm which would cost three times as much as the neighboring farm section, but what is required is that there should be a farm carried on in the same manner as that with practically the capital that an ordinary farmer could profitably in the conduct of his farm.

It may say that in addition to these farms, that in connection with the public buildings, that the province is acquiring some time to true, both say, and a quantity of land, and that is being selected which will be practically used in the same manner and that by an arrangement between the ministers who have acquired some time to true, both say, the man who is in charge of the dairy farming district in Medicine Hat will be selected in the same manner, so that there will be at least one within a reasonable distance of every farmer in the province of Alberta. So far as the actual feeling of the house is concerned, the matter becomes one of necessity. These were the views of the members of the legislature, and the authority of this legislature undertaken, and they have to be paid for. It is the policy of this government, so that the interests of the people of this country and they must be paid for by the people of this country, so that the estimates that are here are absolutely necessary estimates for the legislature of this country. I do not think that any person in Alberta will say that the expenditures that have been made during the years that have gone by, the expenditures that have been made this year and the expenditures that are estimated for next year in regard to the extension of telephones, are not in the interests of the people of this country. I may say that I am upon that time at least we have been able to pay the expenses of the telephone system and to place a very small amount aside for the renewal of that system.

Mr. Bennett: How much have you got for renewals?

Mr. Sifton: There has been an estimated profit of two per cent for this year on the interest on the money that has been paid for renewals. I may say that this two per cent, which is actual and not estimated for the next months that have gone by, is very largely paid by the towns and cities, and that very many of the rural lines are being run at a small loss. Although this is so, I do not think of the fact of the legislature take the view that these rural lines are not an actual necessity in the building up of this country at the present time, and that even if they should be at a small loss for a few years to come they should be in the interest of this country and that they should be in the interest of the legislature that it is the wish of the government, that they should be extended as far as possible and to as many districts as possible. I would like if the members of the Legislature would endeavor to take public opinion in their respective neighborhoods, the possibility of going on into the future in the expenditure of unproductive capital in the way of rural telephone lines. But that question does not come up very much at present because we have made an estimate for next year which I think will satisfy all the reasonable members that they are getting justice in regard to the expenditure on rural telephone lines in their districts.

Dr. Rutherford

Dr. Rutherford congratulated the premier on his concise statement of the province's finances. He said that providence had not dealt altogether kindly with the administration. There had been heavy bad storms that had drained the hail insurance fund, and there had been a dry season in some parts of the province. Otherwise the province was very well off. The premier was pouring in, and the population was going up by leaps and bounds. He hoped that the government would be able to add to the revenue of the province as the result of his suggestions at Ottawa. His statement had been successful in adding considerably to the revenue through such suggestions.

The estimates displayed a recovery for the coming year of only \$20,000 from the so-called deficit. This was a little altogether too low. I was all there would be coming from the school funds had next year

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Dr. Rutherford went on to note the estimated increase in civil government, of \$1,000, of which there was an increase of \$500 in the school department. He hoped that the new attorney general, who was no doubt going to be a generous one, would prove as good an administrator as he had his predecessor.

The school board of the school grants of \$7,000. He thought this a little high, but had no objection since, in a proper manner, the school would still fit to the credit of the educational grants.

He noted that the government estimated the full amount of expenditure on roads on capital account. He had never done this before.

The doctor said he had no apology to make for having left the province in debt, so long as the debt had been incurred for a legitimate object. The very fact that there were public buildings to be completed should not do away with the necessity of having railways.

Dr. Rutherford went on to compare the debt of the province of Alberta with the debts of other provinces. In 1909, Ontario had direct debt of \$20,000,000. Other provinces had debts that were greater in proportion to Alberta.

The statement of liabilities published by the government was misleading, said the doctor. He went on to point out that \$800,000 of the debt of the province had been charged up against his five months of the year, as a liability, when it was not due till July. He did not know if the provincial auditor made up the liability of \$2,000 for purchase of buildings from the Dominion government. The administration had not agreed to purchase buildings to that extent. The auditor's registry office site had been purchased at \$1200 and was now worth \$20,000. For other buildings the auditor had been agreed to be paid \$2,336.

There was always a great drain on the debt of the province in the early part of the year, while the greater part of the revenue did not come in until charges of the year. The licenses, the C. P. R. taxes and the Dominion grants all came in after the first of July. The revenue collected for the first part of this year had been \$800,107. If the provincial auditor had not given a fair statement, he should have included this statement of revenue against the liabilities proportioned for the first five months.

Dr. Rutherford pointed out that the quoted indirect liabilities on railway guarantees of \$5,000,000 did not really exist, since only \$180,000 had been endorsed by the government thus far.

He thought the estimate of the cost of the completion of the parliament buildings too high.

Concluding, he said that in view of the fact that these estimates provided for the diversion of the Watersays money for other purposes than that in which it was intended, he would not vote for the estimates as they were.

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The supreme court case, J. J. Denman vs. Clover Bar Coal Co., will be resumed on December 21st. Judge Stuart is at present in Calgary, where the full court is sitting on appeals.

At the office of the building inspector the following building permits were taken out on Saturday: Hudson Bay company, elevator, \$8,000; J. A. Pitch, 116 Sinclair street, store, bakery and stable, \$2,000.

The regular meeting of the city council will be held this evening. Aside from dealing with a number of minor matters left over from the last meeting and receiving the annual reports of the civic departments no business will be transacted. It is improbable that any other meeting will be held until the 27th of the month, which will be the last meeting of the old council.

At the regular commission meeting yesterday afternoon the city commissioners decided to recommend to the council that a sterilizer be installed at the pumping plant. The cost of installation will be approximately \$500. The city medical health officer, city engineer, and members of the provincial board of health were present and explained that with a plant of this nature in operation there would be no danger to the public health even though the river water were to become contaminated.

The Ladies' True Blue Lodge will hold a box social on Wednesday evening in Cameron's hall. A musical program has been arranged, and a prize will be awarded to the lady who brings the best decorated basket.

The campaign organized by McDougall Methodist church, terminated last evening and while the final figures have not yet been given out it is understood that the amount pledged will be well over the \$30,000 required.

At the Kocian-Eisner concert, representing the Edmonton Ladies' Music Association, Miss Vendelie Day, singing Richard Wagner's "Gerechter Gott." Miss Edith Webster has also been asked to sing a number on behalf of the club at this concert. The Kocian-Eisner concert on Saturday evening will be the ultra fashionable event of the season. The plan is now open at Harmony hall, the Geo. H. Suckling piano warehouses, Rice street, adjoining the post office.

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